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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1.-5. (Canceled)
- 6. (New) A hair color comprising 0.5 to 8 % by weight of a basic dye as a coloring agent, 0.5 to 15 % by weight of an alcohol-soluble acryl base resin, 20 to 80 % by weight of a lower alcohol and 5 to 50 % by weight of water.
- 7. (New) The hair color as described in claim 6, wherein the alcohol-soluble acryl base resin is a silicone acryl block copolymer.
- 8. (New) The hair color as described in claim 6, further comprising carbon black.
- 9. (New) The hair color as described in claim 7, further comprising carbon black.
- 10. (New) The hair color as described in claim 8, wherein a content of the carbon black is 0.1 to 3 % by weight based on the total amount of the hair color.

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- 11. (New) The hair color as described in claim 9, wherein a content of the carbon black is 0.1 to 3 % by weight based on the total amount of the hair color.
- 12. (New) The hair color as described in claim 6, wherein the hair color has a viscosity of 20 mPa·s or less.
- 13. (New) The hair color as described in claim 7, wherein the hair color has a viscosity of 20 mPa·s or less.
- 14. (New) The hair color as described in claim 8, wherein the hair color has a viscosity of 20 mPa·s or less.
- 15. (New) The hair color as described in claim 9, wherein the hair color has a viscosity of 20 mPa·s or less.
- 16. (New) The hair color as described in claim 10, wherein the hair color has a viscosity of 20 mPa·s or less.
- 17. (New) The hair color as described in claim 11, wherein the hair color has a viscosity of 20 mPa·s or less.